

RESOLUTION NUMBER R-_____

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SAN DIEGO CONDEMNING HATE AND EXTREMISM

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego is committed to defending democratic institutions, the integrity of our elections, and the security of people and facilities that carry out the democratic process; and

WHEREAS, on January 6, 2021 insurrectionists attacked the United States Capitol and this event does not reflect the values of the City of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, the Anti-Defamation League's 2020 report on Murder and Extremism in the United States reveals that domestic extremists killed at least 17 people, where roughly a third of which were by anti-government extremists; and

WHEREAS, disinformation, misinformation, and online conspiracy theories are spreading and inspiring real-world violence; and

WHEREAS, the Anti-Defamation League's 2020 report on Murder and Extremism in the United States, states that "extremist killings can have a disproportionate effect on communities, especially when they take the form of a hate crime or a terrorist attack... [and] such attacks are often intended to strike fear more widely throughout vulnerable communities;" and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego supports the peaceful exercise of free speech, free assembly, and freedom to worship safely for all people; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego is committed to ending the spread of hate, bigotry, and harassment based on race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, sex, gender, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, disability, or any other protected characteristic as defined by law; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego wishes to affirm its commitment to the well-being and safety of all of its community members and to ensure that they will be protected, and their rights respected; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego wishes to affirm its commitment to cultivating an inclusive community, including within the City operations and institutions; and

WHEREAS, the diversity of our community is beneficial to all within it, making us stronger and more resilient; and

WHEREAS, our elected leaders are committed to: promoting inclusiveness; celebrating diversity; working to ensure equitable opportunities in all major facets of society; preventing the spread of misinformation and disinformation; rejecting hate and bias in all forms; and setting a positive example for their constituents; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego that:

1. The Council affirms its ongoing commitment to cultivating an inclusive, safe, and just society and culture within the City that values the diversity of our community, works to ensure equitable opportunities in all major facets of society, and celebrates both our individuality and commonality.
2. The Council denounces the spread of hate, bigotry, harassment, and violence based on race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, sex, gender, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, disability, or any other protected characteristic as defined by law.
3. The Council denounces all extremist attacks, as well as extremist conspiracy theories, misinformation, and disinformation that cultivate an alienated and

mistrustful electorate, undermine democratic institutions and processes, and increase the likelihood of violence.

4. The Council intends to continue fostering an environment within City operations and institutions that does not tolerate the spread of hate, bigotry, and harassment based on race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, sex, gender, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, disability, or any other protected characteristic as defined by law.
5. The Council encourages the City to support community organizations, advocacy groups, or other government entities working to educate the public about the impacts of hate and extremism.
6. The Council intends to counter hate and extremism through continued engagement with community leaders, continued governmental transparency, public information-sharing, and the continued investigation and prosecution of those who commit criminal acts, consistent with civil liberties protections.
7. The Council urges City residents to adopt these values in their own lives, call attention to these harms, and denounce hate and extremism to help keep us safe.

APPROVED: MARA W. ELLIOTT, City Attorney

By _____
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I certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of _____.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By _____
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: _____
(date) _____
TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date) _____
TODD GLORIA, Mayor